

Weekly Wrap-Up

Promoting Missouri to the Film Industry

Week of November 3 - November 9, 2001

MISSOURI NEWS

The Kansas City premiere of *The Painting* last Friday was a sold-out success, benefiting the Kansas City Filmmakers Jubilee. About 450 people saw the film at a private screening for cast and crew and at the premiere. There was effusive praise at the reception afterward, with stars Heath Freeman and Clifton Davis in attendance. Film office communication manager Traci Albertson made her big screen debut as an extra with such an impact that even her ad-lib line was kept in the film.

The St. Louis International Film Festival kicks off its 10th annual version this Friday. Noted documentary-maker Ken Burns is the opening night festival guest for a two-hour conversation with Bob Costas and a screening of a short version of his new Mark Twain documentary at the Tivoli Theatre (tickets: \$15). Burns himself ventures up-river to Hannibal on Saturday for a premiere of the Twain piece and a reception. The Festival continues through Nov. 18 with a strong line-up of films and visiting filmmakers. For more information, go to www.sliff.org.



l. to r. Meghan Burchfield (film office intern), Freeman, Davis and Albertson strike a pose during the reception Friday night.

INDUSTRY NEWS

If all animated films go the way of *Shrek* and *Monsters, Inc.*, producers may never make a live-action, on-location film again. Disney's animated *Monsters, Inc.* opened Friday and accumulated a three-day gross of \$62.5 million. Meanwhile, Dreamworks released *Shrek* Friday on VHS and DVD, and racked up \$110 million in sales in the same three days – after *Shrek* had already grossed \$251 million at the box office.



November 8-18 *St. Louis International Film Festival*

November 16-18 *IFP Filmmaker's Conf., Chicago*



SCOUTING

We are currently in search of the following locations for our files. E-mail your suggestions to: rmichael@mail.state.mo.us.

Barber shop with original red-and-white barber pole out front.

An auto ferry

WEEKLY WEB REPORT

MFC Website hits: 85
Production guide hits: 59
 for week of Oct. 7 - 13

YEAR-TO-DATE ACTIVITY REPORT Production Guide Requests

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Scouting/Info Requests

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